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BY HMG-CoA REDUCTASE INHIBITORS
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before calculating the fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Prior to calculating the claim fees please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel claims 25, 30-40, 42-45, 50-90, 116-130, 134-155, 159-166, 175, and 176.

✓ Please amend claims 26, 41, 97, 99, 103, 108, 177, 181, 182, 187, 192, and 193. ✓

26. (Amended) The method of claim[s] [1- 25] 1, further comprising co-administering an endothelial cell Nitric Oxide Synthase substrate.

41. (Amended) The method of claim[s] [1- 25] 1, further comprising co-administering at least one different HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor that increases endothelial cell Nitric Oxide Synthase activity.

97. (Amended) The method of claim[s] [91- 96] 91, wherein the HMG-CoA reductase inhibitor is selected from the group consisting of simvastatin and lovastatin.

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